

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF CAMERON,
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR MEETING, November 4th, 2024.**

The City Council of the City of Cameron had a regular meeting held on November 4th, 2024. Nichole Bryan called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. The following council members were present Sarah Burge, Joseph Wendt, Sherry Johnson, Stephanie Neely, and Hunter Chambers. Councilperson John “PZ” Winters absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by Councilperson Hunter Chambers

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve the Minutes for October 21st, seconded by Councilperson Joesph Wendt. Motion passed, 5 YES. Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve the Minutes for Special Meeting October 28th, 2024, seconded by Councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion passed 5 YES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Kenny Richmond: Asked about the Fire Hydrants on Gable Avenue being replaced. Stated we need better water, and that not enough people attend council meetings.
- Dave Evans: Just wanted to thank Greg Galentine, council, and Nichole Bryan for getting things done these last several years, he stated we have made many improvements. Mr. Evans would love to have more people come to the council meeting and get involved in positive solutions.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **of accepting H. Greg Galentine’s resignation letter requesting to resign immediately dated October 7th, 2024.** Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve accepting H. Greg Galentine’s resignation letter requesting to resign immediately dated October 7th, 2024, seconded by Councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion passed 5 YES.
- b) **Public Hearing regarding a proposed Ordinance.**
- c) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **of interim Mayor, Nichole M. Bryan to sign proposed Rules of Procedure Resolution.** Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve interim Mayor, Nichole M. Bryan, to sign proposed Rules of Procedure Resolution, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed 4 YES. Councilperson Sarah Burge abstained.
- d) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **of third Reading, and Final reading of proposed Ordinance entitled:**
ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AND EXTENSIONS TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC WATERWORKS FACILITIES OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST THEREOF, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED, THROUGH THE ACCEPTANCE BY THE CITY OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE, SERIES 2024 A IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000,000 THROUGH THE WEST VIRGINIA DWTRF PROGRAM;
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ALL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO ACCEPTANCE OF

SUCH FUNDING; APPROVING, RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE FUNDING ASSISTANCE

AGREEMENT RELATING TO SUCH FUNDING ASSISTANCE, SERIES 2024 A. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve the third, and Final reading of proposed Ordinance entitled: **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AND EXTENSIONS TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC WATERWORKS FACILITIES OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST THEREOF, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED, THROUGH THE ACCEPTANCE BY THE CITY OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE, SERIES 2024 A IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000,000 THROUGH THE WEST VIRGINIA DWTRF PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ALL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO ACCEPTANCE OF SUCH FUNDING; APPROVING, RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE FUNDING ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT RELATING TO SUCH FUNDING ASSISTANCE, SERIES 2024 A,** seconded by Councilperson Stephanie Neely. Motion passed 4 YES. Councilperson Sarah Burge abstained.

- e) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **of interim Mayor, Nichole M. Bryan to sign Supplemental Resolution relating to the Funding Assistance.** Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve interim Mayor, Nichole M. Bryan, to sign a Supplemental Resolution relating to the Funding Assistance, seconded by councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed, 4 YES. Councilperson Sarah Burge abstained.
- f) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **of interim Mayor, Nichole M. Bryan to sign proposed Draw Resolution for the payment of invoices from the Funding Assistance.** Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve interim Mayor, Nichole M. Bryan, to sign proposed Draw Resolution for the payment of invoices from the Funding Assistance, seconded by Councilperson Stephanie Neely. Motion passed, 4 YES. Councilperson Sarah Burge abstained.
- g) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **of Chief Allman and Officer Young each receiving a take home cruiser to drive home and to work, and to anything work related.** Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve Chief Allman and Officer Young each receiving a take home cruiser to drive home and to work, and to anything work related, seconded by Councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion passed, 5 YES.
- h) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **OF SECOND AND FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, WEST VIRGINIA, PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE RATES IT CHARGES TO PROVIDE SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SERVICE. The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective no sooner than 45 days following the adoption date (TBD) unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission and will produce approximately \$4,265.00 annually in addition revenue, an increase of 8%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be charged as follows:**

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<u>Residential</u>	\$	3.52	8%
<u>Commercial</u>	\$	7.97	8%
<u>Industrial</u>	\$	NA	NA
<u>Resale</u>	\$	NA	NA
<u>Other</u>	\$	8.62	8%

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<u>Other</u>	\$	8.62	8%

Seconded by Councilperson Stephanie Neely, Motion passed. 5 YES.

- i) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **to approve quote from Deluxe Doors in the amount of \$12,226.00 to furnish and install 3 -10' 2 'x 10' Raynor AP200C white 2" thick fully insulated, no glass, 2" galvanized normal headroom track, torsion springs, vinyl climate seal.** Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve quote from Deluxe Doors in the amount of \$12,226.00 to furnish and install 3 -10' 2 'x 10' Raynor AP200C white 2" thick fully insulated, no glass, 2" galvanized normal headroom track, torsion springs, vinyl climate seal, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed, 5 YES.
- j) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **to accept quote from Tri-State Electric & Machine in the amount of \$2,682.25 to repair Gardener Denver Blower to be paid out of the Sewer Repair & Replacement Account.** Councilperson Stephanie Neely moved to approve quote from Tri-State Electric & Machine in the amount of \$2,682.25 to repair Gardener Denver Blower to be paid out of the Sewer Repair & Replacement Account, seconded by Councilperson Hunter Chamber. Motion passed, 5 YES.
- k) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **to go into executive session to discuss employee matters.** Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve going into executive session to discuss employee matters, seconded by councilperson Joseph Wendt at 8:10pm. Motion passed, 5 YES.
- l) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **to come out of executive session discussing employee matters.** Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to come out of executive session discussing employee matters, seconded by Councilperson Sarah Burge at 8:22pm. Motion passed, 5 YES.

m) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of paying of bills for November 4th, 2024. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve paying of bills for November 4th, 2024, seconded by councilperson Sarah Burge. Motion passed, 5 YES.

OLD BUSINESS: None

City & Community Reports

- FINANCE REPORT – General Fund \$1,293,866.16, Coal Severance Tax Fund \$0, Water Fund \$(2,385.57) Sewer Fund \$3,485.01. Totals \$1,294,965.60.

COUNCILPERSON COMMENTS

Sarah Burge –Nothing

Joseph Wendt—Agrees with Mr. Evans, more people need to come to council meetings.

Stephanie Neely – Asked about putting up new one-way signs on our streets, and to have some updated.

Hunter Chambers—Thinks things are going in a good direction in town.

John “PZ” Winters -- Absent

Sherry Johnson – Wants to revisit the idea for a plaque out at the baseball field.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

Phase 3 of the water project is scheduled to close on November 26th, 2024.

AEP asked if we want to move forward with the installation of more LED lights.

Discussed options on how to spend the Opioid Settlement money. Few options to investigate. Will forward information to council to for them to review for further discussion.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilperson Joseph Wendt moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM, seconded by Councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion carried, all in favor.

Nichole M. Bryan, City Clerk

Stephanie D Neely, Asst City Clerk